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Tina lived with her brothers Jackie and Mark in their tiny little apartment. Mark opened the windows to try to cool the apartment but it was too hot. Tina and Jackie offered to go to the store for Mark. They liked to stay in the store because it was so cool.

Tina was bored. She did not have anything to do. She was watching T.V. one morning when she got an idea. An ad on T.V. was for lemonade. They said that lemonade was the best thing to drink in the summer.

Tina ran to the grocery store. She bought two bags of lemons. She got a bag of paper cups and also some sugar. Then Tina went home to make the lemonade.

She sliced the lemons. Then she squeezed the juice into a large pitcher. Then she added water and sugar. The lemonade tasted great. Then Tina added ice to make the lemonade cold. She gathered the cups. Then she went outside.

Tina and her friend Clare sat up a table with the cups and lemonade. Then Clare made a sign. It said, "Lemonade for Sale."

Many people paid for a cup of lemonade because it was so hot. People

walking to and from work liked to stop for a break and drink some cold lemonade.

Later that afternoon, the traffic became busy. Then the cars seemed to stop, not moving in any direction. The people were hot and angry. Traffic jams were always bad news.

Then Clare started taking cups of cold lemonade out to the people in the cars. They loved it! They gave Clare 50 cents. Some even gave her a dollar. By the end of the day, the girls had thirty dollars.

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